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In re application of: Talaucher et al.

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Examiner: Amy J. Sterling

Re: Part for Supporting an Item of Equipment, Comprising Supports Ribs, and Method of Molding Said Part.

ELECTION REQUIREMENT PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. 121

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

December 2, 2004

This response addresses the Election/Restriction requirement dated November 3, 2004 with respect to the above-identified patent application.

Applicants elect with traverse to proceed with Claims 1-25 and 27-29 as identified by the Election/Restriction requirement. The traverse is based on the fact that both the structure and method of making a supporting part relate such that Applicants feel a separate search would not be a substantial burden, and, therefore, could be considered together.

If the Examiner maintains this restriction, Applicants, therefore, elect to proceed with Claims 1-25 and 27-29 and elect Species I, Figures 1-5 as identified by the Election/Restriction requirement, for continued prosecution.

If the Examiner has any questions with respect to this communication, the Examiner is kindly urged to call the undersigned.

If for some reason, Applicants have not requested a sufficient extension and/or has not paid a sufficient fee for this response and/or for the extension necessary to prevent the abandonment of this application, please consider this is a request for an extension of the required time period and/or authorization to charge our deposit account No. 50-2698 for any fee which may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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